World Trade Center

This isn't gossip, but since this is a major gathering place, I wanted to tell everyone that 2 airplanes have crashed into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City. It's on TV right now.

—Anonymous

428 replies 09/11/2001

what the fuck ?!

I can't get into CNN or MSNBC. Please post more when you hear.

—Anonymous

reply 1 09/11/2001

I hear the World Trade Center is an insatiable bottom.

—Anonymous

42

reply 2 09/11/2001

It's shocking!!! The first plane was a mid-size plane and the second one appears to be a 727. They say at least one tower is leaning.

The communication transmitters for local NYC TV are on top of the World Trade center so viewers there aren't getting the info on local news.

—Anonymous

reply 3 09/11/2001

i just heard about it! god, that is awful

—Anonymous

reply 4 09/11/2001

NBC is now reporting that it was a double hijack-suicide terrorist attack.

God... this is terrifying.

—Torta

reply 5 09/11/2001

Now they're calling it a terrorist attack. The second plane is thought to possibly be a United Airlines passenger plane that was hijacked earlier in the morning, but there was no mention on that channel about whether they thought the plane had passengers.

—Anonymous

reply 6 09/11/2001

Find out who did it and nuke their fucking country straight to hell.

—Anonymous

reply 7 09/11/2001

It's like Pearl Harbor. I can hear F-16's flying overhead.

—Anonymous

reply 8 09/11/2001

Hopefully it wasn't an air traffic controller error.

—Anonymous

reply 9 09/11/2001

Now they're saying the second plane may have been an American Airlines plane enroute from Boston to LA, although that is just speculation.

—Anonymous

reply 10 09/11/2001

Just heard Dubya, who says unequivocally that it was a terrorist attack.

—Anonymous

reply 11 09/11/2001

Oh man, now some guy on NBC is saying that they felt an explosion at the Pentagon, which may not have anything to do with anything and it could just be construction going on at the building.

—Anonymous

reply 12 09/11/2001

Now they're showing smoke billowing from the Pentagon. This is scary.

—Anonymous

reply 13 09/11/2001

there was just a second explosion at the pentatgon. it is being evacuated now per ther radio

—Anonymous

reply 14 09/11/2001

Now a Palestinian group has claimed responsibility for the NYC attack and NBC is saying they're evacuating some people from the White House.

—Anonymous

reply 15 09/11/2001

It was also a plane that crashed into the Pentagon!

—Anonymous

reply 16 09/11/2001

NBC says all US airports have now been told that no airplanes are to be allowed to fly and all flights are cancelled until further notice.

—Anonymous

reply 17 09/11/2001

Well all sorts of people are going to claim credit, but it has to be someone with a number of trained pilots.

—Anonymous

reply 18 09/11/2001

Exactly how do they put that fire out at the world trade center?

—Anonymous

reply 19 09/11/2001

I'd hate to be a towelhead right now.

—Anonymous

reply 20 09/11/2001

09:59 - With that attitude, you are one reason why this happened.

—Anonymous

reply 21 09/11/2001

According to the BBC, the early reports that a Palestinian group had claimed responsibility are false, and there is little likelihood of this in any case. More probable is Osama Ben-Ladin or his like.

—Anonymous

reply 22 09/11/2001

Can't get into any of the news sites

—Anonymous

reply 23 09/11/2001

They just said that perhaps the world trade center would have to be completely brought down.

—Anonymous

reply 24 09/11/2001

The one tower of the Trade center just collapsed

—Anonymous

reply 25 09/11/2001

The Pentagon was also hit by a terrorist-suicide plane. White House evacuated. All air traffic shut down nationwide.

—Torta

reply 26 09/11/2001

...

—Anonymous

reply 27 09/11/2001

One tower is now reported as having collapsed.

—Anonymous

reply 28 09/11/2001

It looks like the first tower that was hit is leaning. The pictures on NBC are horrifying. Chicago is evacuating the Sears Tower to be on the safe side.

—Anonymous

reply 29 09/11/2001

I'll bet Dubya is wishing Al was president right now. They're saying there was probably a full plane of passengers on that American Airlines plane hijacked after it left Boston.

—Anonymous

reply 30 09/11/2001

Probably far too early to ask "who did this"--regardless of what the Palestinians have said. At this time, I think the better question for news folks here is--what planes are currently in the air and how sure are we that they will make it down safe?

—Anonymous

reply 31 09/11/2001

Nobodys going to be coming in or going out of this country for a week.

—Anonymous

reply 32 09/11/2001

All flights nationwide have been cancelled by the FAA until further notice. Condolences to the victims & their families.

—Renee

reply 33 09/11/2001

All of the major government buildings in D.C. are being evacuated. All skyscrapers in L.A. are being evacuated.

—Anonymous

reply 34 09/11/2001

The local airport is allowing planes to land but none are allowed to take off.

—Anonymous

reply 35 09/11/2001

so i just wake up and hear this news on the radio...and the first thing i do is sign onto the Datalounge. Anyway, the reporter who is on CBS right now sounds absolutely frantic, are there really mass casualties? Any updates on lives lost?

—Anonymous

reply 36 09/11/2001

NBC says a car bomb has exploded outside the State Department!

—Anonymous

reply 37 09/11/2001

They're also saying another plane was hijacked and it's headed towards DC.

—Anonymous

reply 38 09/11/2001

But that has not been confirmed. NBC says the NYC casualties must be a horrific number because of how many people work at the Trade Center.

—Anonymous

reply 39 09/11/2001

NPR just had a report on smoke at the White House, which has been evacuated.

—Anonymous

reply 40 09/11/2001

Unconfirmed report of another hijacking. All international flights have been diverted to Canada.

—Anonymous

reply 41 09/11/2001

Estimates of casualties in NYC by reporters now: thousands.

—Anonymous

reply 42 09/11/2001

Looks like Dubya's going to get himself a nice war. Probably just what he needs to help his re-election bid - like what the hostages did for Reagan. Donald Rumsfeld must be giddy with anticipation by now.

—Anonymous

reply 43 09/11/2001

Any pedestrians near the Pentagon "TAKE COVER", due to the possible second hijacking.

—Anonymous

reply 44 09/11/2001

NOW we'll see what the PUPPET 'President' is made of.

"DADDY!!! WHAT DO I DOOOOOOOO???!!!"

—Anonymous

reply 45 09/11/2001

The second tower just collapsed

—Anonymous

reply 46 09/11/2001

The other tower just collapsed. This is the worst thing I have ever seen in my life.

—Anonymous

reply 47 09/11/2001

Holy shit. The second tower just collapsed.

—Anonymous

reply 48 09/11/2001

The terrorists attacked because they know we have a WEAKLING in the White house.

—Anonymous

reply 49 09/11/2001

Stay on this line, folks. So far you've been minutes ahead of many news services.

—Anonymous

reply 50 09/11/2001

Bomb squad has been sent to Union Station in DC.

—Anonymous

reply 51 09/11/2001

Large plane crash about 80 miles southeast of Pittsburgh.

—Anonymous

reply 52 09/11/2001

Summerset county airport has confirmed large plane crash 80 miles southeast of Pittsburgh.

—Anonymous

reply 53 09/11/2001

What news sites are accessible right now???

—Anonymous

reply 54 09/11/2001

George W. Bush is in the air right now headed for DC. He is supposed to have a press conference around 11:30 Eastern time.

A low level F-16 just flew air cover over Washington. This is a sign of War.

—Anonymous

reply 55 09/11/2001

I'm watching NBC news on Television.

—Anonymous

reply 56 09/11/2001

NYC subway system has been shut down.

—Anonymous

reply 57 09/11/2001

AP report about Summerset airport report confirmed. Boeing plane, missed which model they said.

—Anonymous

reply 58 09/11/2001

MY local news station in Baltimore is saying the FBI is asking that everyone limit their use of cell phones and regular phones. I think we're overloading the lines. As far as I know, most if not all of the online news sites are overloaded and I can't get on to any of them.

—Anonymous

reply 59 09/11/2001

Believe it or not, I'm getting the best updates (online) from Lucianne.com

—Anonymous

reply 60 09/11/2001

Reports of people jumping out of the windows at the WTC shortly after the crash.

—Anonymous

reply 61 09/11/2001

CIA and National Security Agency (NSA) have been evacuated now. I'm not very far away from NSA. Is it too late to move to another state?

—Anonymous

reply 62 09/11/2001

Manhattan is sealed off, all train and bus service halted.

—Anonymous

reply 63 09/11/2001

Roughly 50,000 people work at the WTC.

—Anonymous

reply 64 09/11/2001

Federal employees have been given the option of leaving for the day.

St. Vincents hospital in NYC hundreds of people have been burned from head to toe.

—Anonymous

reply 65 09/11/2001

It was a Boeing 767 that crashed near Pittsburgh. It's unclear if it is connected. This is the worst terrorist attack since Pearl Harbor.

—Anonymous

reply 66 09/11/2001

I just heard that there are more hijacked planes still in the air, but not sure this is true. Can anyone confirm/deny?

—Anonymous

reply 67 09/11/2001

This is magnitudes worse than Pearl Harbor.

—Anonymous

reply 68 09/11/2001

American Airlines says another one on its way to Washington

—Anonymous

reply 69 09/11/2001

DAN RATHERS JUST SAID A PLANE CRASHED INTO CAMP DAVID JUST MINUTES AGO AND FBI AGENT SD THE FAA JUST CONTACTED THEM AND TOLD THEM THIS NOT CONFIRMED AS OF YET !

—Anonymous

reply 70 09/11/2001

American airlines flight 11 from Logan airport to Los Angeles is confirmed as one of the planes involved in the WTC.

Faa is confirming that several airplanes are unaccounted for.

—Anonymous

reply 71 09/11/2001

It's not *worse* than PH, but it's close.

—Renee

reply 72 09/11/2001

I just think this she teach us all something instead of laughing and makeing racist jokes about people names and just racism, discrimination against gays, etc should not be tolerated any longer we should start loving one another this should teach us if anything to value life and each other !

—Anonymous

reply 73 09/11/2001

I would call it worse than Pearl Harbor. Say what you will about the morality of a sneak attack on Pearl Harbor, military targets are fair game in wartime. This was a cowardly attack on a massive civilian target.

—Anonymous

reply 74 09/11/2001

There are eight planes reportedly hijacked or unaccounted for in the air over the U.S. The Air Force is shooting them out of the sky. I saw the first tower go down. People were sobbing in the streets. We are at War.

—Anonymous

reply 75 09/11/2001

It's definitely worse than Pearl Harbor - not in terms of casualties, but in terms of terror.

Pearl Harbor was an attack on military personnel at a military base in Hawaii.

This was/is an attack on a purely civilian target in the heart of New York City. During peacetime.

—Anonymous

reply 76 09/11/2001

My God does it matter if it's worse or not Good God Where's your people heart at people are dead and more will be and all you can do is compare this with Pearl Harbor that was tragedy and this is too !All I can think of is how sad this all is not comparing one tragedy to the other !

—Anonymous

reply 77 09/11/2001

I know this will sound corny, but my thoughts and prayers are with the people of NYC and the families and the passengers on those hijacked planes. I have never felt so sick and heavy at heart as I do now. I'm at work and will probably start crying soon.

I appreciate everybody updating this thread. Can't get on to any news or newspaper sites.

—JB

reply 78 09/11/2001

Possibly 10,000 people in each tower plus 5,000 people visiting at the time of this horror.

—Anonymous

reply 79 09/11/2001

Unconfirmed report here that NYU hospital has been hit [!!!???]

—Anonymous

reply 80 09/11/2001

i'm having trouble getting through too -- would the person who posted about 8 airplanes and air force shooting please give more info!!!!???

—Anonymous

reply 81 09/11/2001

I hope to God they were able to get as many evacuated as possible before the buildings collapsed. I'm hearing reports of stampedes. God help us all.

—Anonymous

reply 82 09/11/2001

You're right. Both were tragedies that involved the senseless deaths of innocent people.

—Renee

reply 83 09/11/2001

F-16 fighter jets are trying to intercept a jet headed toward the Pentagon according to Dallas MN website. (Not the earlier plane from this mormning)

—Anonymous

reply 84 09/11/2001

I'm in my office in NYC no news can't get through on anything. friends keeping me up to date on email pretty good. keep the posts coming.

—Anonymous

reply 85 09/11/2001

Correction: I meant *are*, not were.

—Renee

reply 86 09/11/2001

Let's not forget it was a cracker who was responsible for the last major terrorist attack in this country. I am praying that every Arab American I know is safely home away from assholes who want to bomb the "towel heads".

—Anonymous

reply 87 09/11/2001

I have not heard anything about the air force shooting down planes, and I'm watching television.

They had roughly an hour and 15 minutes to evacuate the building before the first tower collapsed.

—Anonymous

reply 88 09/11/2001

There saying they don't know what to do President Bush or his camp plus they wanna get all of Congress out of Washington DC. This is what they are saying now. I wonder if that plane that crashed in Somerset PA has anything to do with this. I think more than one terrorist group had something to do with this . Bin Laden blabbed his mouth to London reporters last week saying they would put together an attack against The US within weeks to come this is what Dan Rathers Just said.

—Anonymous

reply 89 09/11/2001

50 foot hole on E-ring of Pentagon...still burning badly.

—Anonymous

reply 90 09/11/2001

From MSNBC.Com for those who can't get through

NEW YORK, Sept. 11 x97 Americans reeled in horror Tuesday as the worst terrorist attack in U.S. history sent planes crashing into the World Trade Center in New York, toppling the twin 110-story towers. An explosion later rocked the Pentagon in Washington. The White House, the Pentagon and the Capitol building were evacuated. Military jets patrolled the skies above both cities. The FAA grounded all civilian aircraft nationwide, but not before reports of another large aircraft crashing in Western Pennsylvania. President Bush vowed to x93hunt down the folks who committed this act.x94

September 11 x97 A plane collides with World Trade Center Tower 1 on Tuesday, some eighteen minutes after a first plane struck the other tower.

THE FATE OF those in the twin skyscrapers was not immediately known. Authorities had been trying to evacuate the thousands of people who work in the twin towers, but many were thought to be trapped. x93I swear Ix92ve never seen anything like this,x94 said MSNBCx92s Ashleigh Banfield. x93This whole place is like a complete war zone.x94 At the Pentagon, eyewitnesses saw an aircraft crash into part of the sprawling complex. Walls were later seen to have collapsed. An earlier report of a car bomb exploding outside the State Department was later denied. In New York, the aircraft struck minutes apart, starting fires and sending smoke billowing out of the skyscrapers. The top of the south tower later collapsed onto the street below. The first crash happened shortly before 9 a.m. ET. MSNBC.com reporter Martin Wolk, who was inside one of the towers, said the lights flickered and then a loud bang was heard. People panicked and started to flee the building. When they reached the lobby, smoke started to fill the building and people could see debris falling and many cars outside were damaged. x93It was sheer pandemonium, people were screaming and crying, afraid to go outside because of the falling debris,x94 Wolk said. x93We looked up and it looked like the top 20 floors were in flames.x94 Another bystander described a barrage of debris raining down on the sidewalk below.

Shortly after 9 a.m., a second aircraft was seen crashing into the other tower. Broadcast cameras already watching the scene filmed the second plane as it slammed into the tower and exploded in a huge fireball. A half hour later, President Bush made a brief statement to reporters, calling the disaster a x93national tragedyx94 and attributing it to terrorists. He did not cite any specific terrorist groups but vowed to x93hunt down the folks who committed this act.x94 U.S. military jets reportedly took to the skies to shoot down any unidentified aircraft, and congressional leaders were taken to secure locations. A plane was reported to have been circling the Capitol building before the evacuation. American Airlines later acknowledged that one of its flights had been hijacked Tuesday morning shortly after leaving Boston en route to Los Angeles. In the wake of the crashes, New York airports and the Lincoln Tunnel were closed as precautionary measures. The stock exchanges in New York also did not open. Large holes were visible in sides of the 110-story buildings. The tops of the twin towers were obscured by the smoke. Thousands of pieces of what appeared to be office paper came drifting over Brooklyn, about three miles from the tower, one witness said.

Click on the image for reports of the terrorism attacks. In an earlier terrorist attack, the center was bombed on Feb. 26, 1993, killing six people and injured more than 1,000 others. Terrorist Ramzi Yousef and three others were convicted of orchestrating the attack. Three other indicted co-conspirators remain at large. Traffic entering New York City from New Jersey was at a standstill approaching the Holland Tunnel as motorists stood outside their cars watching the fire. Across the country, highrises like Chicagox92s Sears Trade tower were being evacuated as a precaution. Buildings were also being evacuated in London.

—HappyMail

reply 91 09/11/2001

Please, does anyone know what's happening now. What has been bombed in Washington?

—Anonymous

reply 92 09/11/2001

JB, its not corny to feel that way. All of us do. This is unbelievable.

Pam (Dallas)

—Anonymous

reply 93 09/11/2001

I'm hearing all this on the radio here in Zurich, Switzerland, and I can tell you all our thoughts and prayers are with you here as well.

Updates: Rudy Giuliani has ordered the evacuation of Manhattan south.

Parts of the Pentagon have definately collapsed and are in flames.

A car bomb exploded at the State Department. No further details.

All DC government buildings have been evacuated.

All flights to the US have either turned back or are attempting to land in Canada.

US government buldings here in Switzerland are being protected and/or evacuated.

This is an incredibly violent, obviously well-prepared and logistically incredibly sophisticated attack. I think we haven't heard the end of this yet.

The shock of this is horrendous. I think if you live near any major city I'd consider leaving.

—Anonymous

reply 94 09/11/2001

There is a hijacked 747 on the ground in Cleveland, there are explosives on board, it has been towed away from the airport. It is surrouded by a SWAT team.

—Anonymous

reply 95 09/11/2001

Flight 77 from Dulles in Virginia to LA was hijacked. It's an American airlines plane. They believe it was the second plane that slammed into the tower. The first plane was the American airlines plane from Boston to LA with 81 passengers.

—Anonymous

reply 96 09/11/2001

Leaving???? In what the subway??? I don't think so!

—BostonBoy

reply 97 09/11/2001

Please no racism now I'm Black and I would think calling someone a cracker or any other name should be least on someone's mind please guys lets stick to hoping friends , families, and people in general are ok ! I pray my friend that work in Manhattan are ok I'm still trying to get in touch with my family . I hope you all are ok !

—Anonymous

reply 98 09/11/2001

Oh my God!!

—Anonymous

reply 99 09/11/2001

Downtown Dallas is being evacuated. Streets are lined with firetrucks ect. Dont know what is going on. Have now heard two unaccounted planes heading toward Dallas. ????

—Anonymous

reply 100 09/11/2001

I saw the first Trade Tower collapse. People were screaming and sobbing as it came down. When the second one came down, there was a man screaming behind me. Reports from NYC are that the entire southern tip of Manhattan is being evacuated. Authorities fear gas leaks. The significance of the date, September 11 has just been broadcast. It's the anniversary of the signing of the Camp David Peace Accords.

—Anonymous

reply 101 09/11/2001

There are FBI people downstairs in my Dallas office bld. They might evacuate my bld next

—Anonymous

reply 102 09/11/2001

A plane is heading up the Potomac river in DC at a high rate of speed. They are watching it closely

—Anonymous

reply 103 09/11/2001

It's been confirmed that another plane crashed into Camp David, which would make sense if that's the rationale for all this. President Bush is in the air aboard Air Force One - apparently that's the standard procedure in scenarios like this one. It's easier to defend AF1 (with its F-16 escorts) than any ground location.

—Anonymous

reply 104 09/11/2001

Most of the bldgs. in downtown Houston are being evacuated.

—Anonymous

reply 105 09/11/2001

That report about the plane heading up the Potomac is a police report. They are anxiously watching the southern skies in DC.

—Anonymous

reply 106 09/11/2001

Congress has been evacuated to a safe location.

—Anonymous

reply 107 09/11/2001

All major airlines closed in all cities, this is awful and horrendous! Just when you thought the U.S. was safe.

—Anonymous

reply 108 09/11/2001

Just heard Canada was closing its airspace as well

—Anonymous

reply 109 09/11/2001

I suggest everyone pray that no other attacks will happen. With Sympathy to those who were killed in the attack...

—Anonymous

reply 110 09/11/2001

My God look at Ron Insana from CNBC!! He's on NBC right now and he's covered in soot.

—Anonymous

reply 111 09/11/2001

President Bush has ordered a full investigation. Way to go, Chimp!

—Anonymous

reply 112 09/11/2001

Just the President to set things right.

—Anonymous

reply 113 09/11/2001

The Pentagon is still on fire from plane crash earlier. "Out of controL" per radio.

—Anonymous

reply 114 09/11/2001

All majour airports in Canada have been shut down. The airspace over North America has been completely shut down. All flights currently in the air in USA airspace that can be accounted for have/are being redirected to Canada.

According to the newsreport that I am listening to there are two more flights that have been lost and presumed to be hi-jacked as well.

—Anonymous

reply 115 09/11/2001

Ron Insana said he was 3 blocks away, and it was pitch black.

The pittsburgh crash was a flight out of Newark headed to LA I think.

—Anonymous

reply 116 09/11/2001

thousands of palestinians chanted in the street and handed out candy saying god is good after the attack.

—Anonymous

reply 117 09/11/2001

I thought this is why we had the FBI, CIA, NSA...to prevent things like this. I hope this isn't just a distraction for something even bigger.

—Anonymous

reply 118 09/11/2001

I think Tom Brokaw is AWFUL -- he keeps saying "This is War" and "This, the most powerful country in the world" and "this, the most important city in the world"

—Anonymous

reply 119 09/11/2001

I HATE to say this but Tom needs to take his MEDS.

Sorry, I just had to say it.

—Anonymous

reply 120 09/11/2001

We have received a half a dozen airplanes that were not intended to land at our airport here in the Midwest as all planes in the sky were told to land at the nearest airport. They say the skies here are now clear.

—Anonymous

reply 121 09/11/2001

where is "here"?!!!!!

—Anonymous

reply 122 09/11/2001

Iowa.

—Anonymous

reply 123 09/11/2001

The ports of LA and Long Beache have been closed, no incoming vessels allowed.

—Anonymous

reply 124 09/11/2001

American Airlines confirms 2 airplanes hijacked killing 164 passengers.

—Anonymous

reply 125 09/11/2001

Given the tragedy of this situation, TB's journalistic skills should be the *least* of our worries.

—Renee

reply 126 09/11/2001

I just heard that another building in NY is damaged so badly they fear it might collapse. Is this correct?

—Anonymous

reply 127 09/11/2001

The authorities are too busy tracking down gays instead of standing up to religious fanaticism throughout the world....

—Anonymous

reply 128 09/11/2001

Financial markets worldwide are closed.

—Anonymous

reply 129 09/11/2001

I heard that, too, from a local report on news radio while taking my daughter to school (cancelled, though). A producer for Imus in the Morning said he saw the planes hit, and he said that now the bldg. just to the south of the towers was badly on fire...looked like the whole top...and might collapse, too. Haven't heard anything on CNN about it yet.

—Left is Right

reply 130 09/11/2001

Flight 173, they've just lost contact with this plane, don't have location.

—Anonymous

reply 131 09/11/2001

They may not be bringing Bush back to Washington right away, it's unclear.

—Anonymous

reply 132 09/11/2001

Terror attacks hit U.S.

September 11, 2001 Posted: 1457 GMT

NEW YORK (CNN) -- Terrorists struck the United States Tuesday morning in harrowing, widespread attacks that included at least three commercial jet crashes into significant buildings.

x95xA0In the first attack, a plane hit the north tower of the World Trade Center in Manhattan shortly before 9 a.m., followed by another plane into the second tower about 20 minutes later. Both towers later collapsed.

x95xA0About an hour later, a plane crashed into the Pentagon, part of which later collapsed.

x95xA0American Airlines told CNN that it lost two planes in "tragic accidents:" Flight 11 from Boston with 81 passengers and 11 crew aboard and Flight 77 from Washington Dulles airport with 58 passengers and six crew aboard. Both planes were en route to Los Angeles

x95xA0United Airlines Flight 93 airliner headed from Newark, New Jersey, to San Francisco, crashed near Somerset, Pennsylvania -- police said initial reports indicated no survivors. It was not known if this was connected to the attacks. United also said it was "deeply concerned" about Flight I75 from Boston to Los Angeles.

x95xA0 The Pentagon, the White House, the State Department, the Justice Department, the Capitol, the CIA and all other government buildings in Washington evacuated.

x95xA0President Bush cancelled an appearance in Florida to return to Washington, calling the crashes "apparent terrorist attacks" and "a national tragedy."

x95xA0In the first ever national ground stop of aircraft, all flights nationwide have been stopped at their departure airports.

x95xA0All international flights were diverted to Canada.

x95xA0In New York, more than 10,000 rescue personnel rushed to the scene. The entire downtown area of Manhattan was evacuated as far north as Rockefeller Center, according to an official at an emergency command post.

x95xA0Israel has evacuated all its missions around the world.

x95xA0The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta was evacuated. CDC was preparing bioterrorism teams in case they become necessary.

x95xA0Philadelphia landmarks were also evacuated.

x95xA0In Chicago, the Sears Tower was evacuated; United Nations in New York evacuated.

x95xA0The New York Port Authority said it had closed all bridges and tunnels into the city.

x95xA0U.S. stock markets were closed after the New York attacks.

—Anonymous

reply 133 09/11/2001

United airlines deeply concerned about flight 175. They confirm that united flight 93 crashed outside of Pittsburgh.

—Anonymous

reply 134 09/11/2001

I just saw that United and American both report 2 flights lost. Have 4 planes landed or been shot down already, or is one still unaccounted for? Is CNN the best TV station for this, do you think?

—L.i.R.

reply 135 09/11/2001

All LAX terminals are being evacuated. All flight have been cancled for at least seven hours.

—Anonymous

reply 136 09/11/2001

All inbound flights to the USA from International airports are being redirected to Canada.

—Anonymous

reply 137 09/11/2001

The US?Mexican border has been sealed.

—Anonymous

reply 138 09/11/2001

2 American flights were flown into the World Trade Center. One United flight crashed outside of Pittsburgh. The other United flight is the one that is believed to be speeding towards DC. The recently lost contact with this plane.

Pentagon fire is out of control.

—Anonymous

reply 139 09/11/2001

One plane is still unaccounted for, believed heading for LA.

—Anonymous

reply 140 09/11/2001

It's unclear which airlines the plane that crashed into the pentagon was. They think it was United.

—Anonymous

reply 141 09/11/2001

The hijacked plane in D.C. is now surrounded by U.S. MIGs.

—Anonymous

reply 142 09/11/2001

Palestinians dancing in the streets? Good. One bomb does more damage when they are bunched together. Blow them to hell.

—Anonymous

reply 143 09/11/2001

anon 12:05 where are you seeing this news about us planes surrounding ANOTHER hijacked plane?!

—Anonymous

reply 144 09/11/2001

Why was the Chimp reading to children in Florida when he already had heard of the first plane crash into the building????

—Anonymous

reply 145 09/11/2001

Over 200 firefighters are unacounted for in NYC.

—Anonymous

reply 146 09/11/2001

PLEASE ON THIS ONE DAY do not slag Bush. I didn't want him to be president either, but he is and we have to do the best we can.

—Anonymous

reply 147 09/11/2001

Local blood centers in every city need blood.

—Anonymous

reply 148 09/11/2001

It's OK, Bush isn't going to be the only one handling this. Remember, there are a lot of fine minds working on this. Even if we don't agree with them about civil rights and certain values, they might be well-equipped (in intellect and experience) to deal with terrorism.

But I don't think it's necessary to pretend we suddenly have great faith in W, either. Not at ALL facetiously, I just keep hoping that Cheney's heart is holding up to the strain.

—Left is Right

reply 149 09/11/2001

The USS JFK and the USS George Washington have been dispatched. We are at the highest alert level reserved only for full blown war.

—Anonymous

reply 150 09/11/2001

Please, I can only hope that the Dataloungers and their friends and loved ones are safe.

And, please tell your loved ones you love them.

—Woodstock's cats

reply 151 09/11/2001

i'm with you on that, left is right. i cannot even begin to wrap my head around this horror and what it all means.

—dallas

reply 152 09/11/2001

Republicans are usually better at war than Democrats so maybe we're lucky Bush is in office.

—Anonymous

reply 153 09/11/2001

WAR!!!!!!!!

This MUST MEAN WAR!!! (Sorry about the caps, but this is outrageous!) We have got to BOMB THE MIDEAST AND STOP THIS MADNESS!!! These people have lost their rights to live on this Earth!

—Anonymous

reply 154 09/11/2001

Is it true that up to 50,000 people may have been in the World Trade Center? Surely there cannot be that many deaths?

—Anonymous

reply 155 09/11/2001

The situation is bad enough without this sort of hysteria. Surely we want to find out who did this before we start bombing indiscriminately.

—Anonymous

reply 156 09/11/2001

12:19--if you don't think Osama bin laden is behind this, you've got a lot to learn.

Or maybe there's some terrorist group that the Central 'Intelligence' Agency hasn't learned about yet.

—Anonymous

reply 157 09/11/2001

I heard a report from a law firm located on the 54th floor of one tower: all were evacuated safely. Surely there were horrendous casualties, but it is simply untrue that everyone in the towers died.

—Robert de Saint-Loup

reply 158 09/11/2001

They estimate at that time, roughly 25,000 people would have been in the buildings.

—Anonymous

reply 159 09/11/2001

We are Defcon 4D, Defcon 5 is full blown war.

—Anonymous

reply 160 09/11/2001

No more Pearl Harbors. War. Find out who did it and use nuclear weapons. If we can't find them, just kill all teh people in the Mideast. Let God sort em out.

—Anonymous

reply 161 09/11/2001

I heard on the news we were at Defcon 5. I heard we were at the highest alert there was.

—Anonymous

reply 162 09/11/2001

United Airline flight down in Sommerset Colorado, believed to be the missing flight enroute to LA

—Anonymous

reply 163 09/11/2001

50,000 people is reported to be the number of workers at its' capacity. Our company had on employee there at time of explosion. He ran down 33 floors and got 3/4 of mile away before building collapsed.

—Anonymous

reply 164 09/11/2001

Senator Richard Shelby says they had no advance warning about this. Usually intelligence has some sort of warning. Communications are scrambled. Somehow the millions of dollars we spend on intelligence, let this one slip through the cracks.

—Anonymous

reply 165 09/11/2001

The fight in Cleveland has been secured, it was not hijacked, everyone there is safe for now.

—Anonymous

reply 166 09/11/2001

All of the Senators in DC have been evacuated to various buildings. They were told not to congregrate. The National guard has been called into action to help in NYC. Blood donors are needed. The American Red Cross is responding in DC, NYC, and Boston.

—Anonymous

reply 167 09/11/2001

Yeah, but they let a number of others "slip through the cracks" as well, and not just in this country. The utter failure of the billion-dollar U.S. intelligence community is a major scandal.

—Anonymous

reply 168 09/11/2001

with the news reports coming in I am getting more angry...how could the US not be prepared for this? why are we paying taxes for intelligence when this horrendeous tragedy can happen? why are these animals allowed to to this without any response from US? are we really going to act like this was an act of war or are we gonna coddle these bastards????

Bin Laden had something to do with this, he and his gang of thugs and who what other shit country. why are they allowed to survive these attacks? the US has become to soft and now we've lost possibly thousands and fear is rampant. all the fed agencies here have been evacuated but that doens't mean tomorrow or next week this won't happen again....damn these people!!!!

I pray Bush grows some balls and order full war on these pieces of shit...

—Anonymous

reply 169 09/11/2001

Bush has no balls!

—Anonymous

reply 170 09/11/2001

Thre of the four planes that crashed were bound for LA. I pray for those that were aboard and their families and frinds here in LA.

—Anonymous

reply 171 09/11/2001

Fox News reports that President Bush is at an air force base in Shreveport. I'm sure that there are several emergency presidential command centers. I wonder if one is near there.

—Anonymous

reply 172 09/11/2001

These ragheads WANT war. They want Armageddon. They think they're going to go straight to heaven for this suicidal attack. Fundamentalists--the scariest pieces of shit in the universe, whatever the religion!

—Anonymous

reply 173 09/11/2001

Notice how the terrorists picked AMERICAN AIRLINES WHICH IS NOW UNITED AIRLINES . Initials USA OR showing they despise us so much they made sure they are making sure they fly American Airlines .. They really meant business and they are showing us more and more we may be smaller than you but the element of suprise is deadly ! Bin Laden sd 3 weeks ago that he would set an attack on the United States like no other and by God this is it . I wouldn't even be suprised if other groups of terrorism help on this . I can't stand George W Bush but I respect him now and whatever he will do , I could tell he was genuine about how he intends to go about getting the groups or group responsible for this . I know Colin Powell and the other joint chief of staff will hopefully get this under control . I can't help but thinking about the kids, innocent women and men and those other countries and in New York that have suffered because of this and the other countries that will have to suffer as well as a result of this .

—Anonymous

reply 174 09/11/2001

"The US-Mexican border has been sealed."

What? To keep Americans from running away?

—Anonymous

reply 175 09/11/2001

Trust Ehrenstein to show up with a meaningless attack on the President.

—Anonymous

reply 176 09/11/2001

Shreveport? Well, it's safe to say, that might be the safest spot on earth. A terrorist wouldn't even begin to know where to locate that dump, let alone crash a plane into it.

—Anonymous

reply 177 09/11/2001

trust YOU to perpetuate it, dumbass!

—Anonymous

reply 178 09/11/2001

And you?

—Anonymous

reply 179 09/11/2001

The 22 international flights have now been allowed to land in the U.S.. No explanation as to why or where the planes are originating from.

—Anonymous

reply 180 09/11/2001

We can't let them get away with this. No diplomacy. These people aren't human. They are disposable, hateful, horrible demons. Bomb 'em all. God will know his own.

—Anonymous

reply 181 09/11/2001

184 patients at St. Vincent's-10 are critical-2 have passed away. Bellevue and St. Vincent's will be receiving the most critical.

—Anonymous

reply 182 09/11/2001

Acually the San Diego boarder IS open. The radio states there are heavy searches though. Commerce has to flow.

—allen101ca

reply 183 09/11/2001

The number is growing as the minutes pass. Severe burns, several heart attacks, all covered in gray powder. Many broken bones.

—Anonymous

reply 184 09/11/2001

St. Vincents is very well staffed but will be needing a fresher shift around 5pm today. There are lines of people waiting to donate blood.

—Anonymous

reply 185 09/11/2001

266 people have been confirmed dead due to the plane crashes alone, so far.

—Anonymous

reply 186 09/11/2001

Fox News says first estimate is at least 10,000 dead in lower Manhattan.

—Anonymous

reply 187 09/11/2001

The borders between the U.S. and Mexico and Canada, are indeed closed.

—Anonymous

reply 188 09/11/2001

Shreveport. . . good choice even a terrorist wouldn't want to go to LA.

30 billion on intelligence?

Remember after Oklahoma we thought it was a mid-east terrorist group?

—Anonymous

reply 189 09/11/2001

I have family in Eagle Pass, TX and the bridges connecting to Mexico have been closed for close to 2 hours already....

—Anonymous

reply 190 09/11/2001

Boy, oh, boy if I weren't gay and not allowed in the military...

—Anonymous

reply 191 09/11/2001

Pentagon under threat condition "delta", highest level.

—Anonymous

reply 192 09/11/2001

President Bush taped a statement and then was whisked away to an undisclosed location. NORAD?

—Anonymous

reply 193 09/11/2001

The San Diego boarder is still open according to the radio. Heavy inspections.

—Anonymous

reply 194 09/11/2001

Has anyone claimed responsibility for these attacks? I recall the same anti-Arab hysteria over the Oklahoma bombing only to later find that the culprit was an American. Shouldn't all these calls to bomb various places/people need to be held in check until we know who really set this off?

—fist

reply 195 09/11/2001

CNN's Jon King is reporting that the President has indeed gone to a wartime command facility. Yikes!

By the way, Jon is getting fat.

—Anonymous

reply 196 09/11/2001

If the extent of our retaliation is comprised of economic sanctions, I'm gonna be mightily pissed off!

To quote Act I, Scene 1 of "Aida": 'Guerra! Guerra! Guerra, guerra, guerra!'

—Anonymous

reply 197 09/11/2001

Apparently Camp David was the target of another attack, but it failed. The united plane slamming into the ground 80 miles southeast of Pittsburgh was destined to crash into Camp David.

—Anonymous

reply 198 09/11/2001

The Chimp can't even respond without reading someone else's words on index cards! You would think he might say something from the heart in this instance.

—Anonymous

reply 199 09/11/2001

United can't say whether all their planes are on the ground yet.

—Anonymous

reply 200 09/11/2001

Actually correction, it's American Airlines that can't say.

—Anonymous

reply 201 09/11/2001

Fighter planes are circling New York. The battleships are going to New York to assist in the on-land rescue.

West Bank city of Nablis is celebrating the attacks.

—Anonymous

reply 202 09/11/2001

1:13 top of page, Osama bin Laden claimed responsibility several weeks ago, saying he would soon launch a terrorist attack on the US like never seen before. He's the one with the resources and personnel to do it. I agree it's premature to say for sure that he's responsible, but he is definitely the likeliest source at this time.

—Anonymous

reply 203 09/11/2001

50,000 people were scheduled to work today in the Twin towers. That number does not include the 5,000 or so visitors who would be there at the time.

—Anonymous

reply 204 09/11/2001

Osama Bin Laden has been training pilots for suicide bombings. We blamed him for the attack on the USS Cole. It's unfortunate that we were aware that he was preparing for something like this, and did nothing to stop him.

—Anonymous

reply 205 09/11/2001

What is Camp David, and why would they want to bomb it?

—Anonymous

reply 206 09/11/2001

1:27: Please tell me that you're not an American.

—Anonymous

reply 207 09/11/2001

It is the President's private retreat in MD

—Anonymous

reply 208 09/11/2001

Camp David is the site of the 1978 peace accord between Israel and Egypt.

—Anonymous

reply 209 09/11/2001

President Bush: Camp David is just one of the many places you go to to play video games, drink beer and watch TV.

—Anonymous

reply 210 09/11/2001

To our regular NYC posters: please let us know you're ok -- and post your names. I may not know you, but you are my friends and my prayers are with you.

—Idle Mind

reply 211 09/11/2001

I want to echo Idle Mind's thoughts, to all posters here with friends and family involved you have my thoughts and sympathy

—Anonymous

reply 212 09/11/2001

Okay anon 1.34, lay off Bush today. We're all Americans right now.

—Anonymous

reply 213 09/11/2001

The World Trade Center started evacuating immediately after the second plane hit (when it became clear the first one wasn't an accident). They had about an hour and a half between that point and when the first building collapsed, so hopefully they were able to evacuate most of the people inside.

—Anonymous

reply 214 09/11/2001

My college has been closed for the day due to emotional termoil of the students and staff.

—Anonymous

reply 215 09/11/2001

10,000 expected dead in manhattan..oh god help us.

yes we blamed bin laden for oklahoma but this is bigger. suicide pilots, four major flights, american monuments, near attack on camp david...no this is much more and i'm worried it may not be over. bin laden even gave a clue and now i hear on fox that someone else got a hint from laden's camp or something, i dunno..i cant' think straight.

we are all americans...our president may be embarassing he may have been "selected" but we need to band together for comfort, love and strength to show the leaders that this must not be tolerated. i'm tired of hearing from leaders what a tragedy it is. i want to hear their plan (it may be too early) but i want to hear their anger....

Newt had it rightwhen he said we can't blame the intelligence agencies if there was no money given to fight this. he also said we need to retaliate strongly.

this is a monumental tragedy...this is beyond comprehension.

—Anonymous

reply 216 09/11/2001

Does anyone else hear airplanes flying overhead? (midwest) I thought all air traffic was cancelled. Creepy.

—Anonymous

reply 217 09/11/2001

I just heard lawnmowers outside our building, and froze for a moment. Creepy.

—Anonymous

reply 218 09/11/2001

Can anybody report on the confirmations of passenger planes hijacked, down? Are there hijacked planes in the air?

—Anonymous

reply 219 09/11/2001

Exactly WHERE is this 10,000 figure being reported? We have the TV on in our office, and I have been monitering news websites. (Not that I doubt it, but I have heard so many rumors so far....

—Anonymous

reply 220 09/11/2001

I think all planes are accounted for at this point.

—Anonymous

reply 221 09/11/2001

Well I'm not to far from TWTC the chopper noise had died down. I can hear a jet as we speak.

—Anonymous

reply 222 09/11/2001

I heard that figure also...I am watching Fox news. Just reported a car bomb outside the state dept.

—Anonymous

reply 223 09/11/2001

1:29, Yes, I'm an American, and it's responses like that that make it impossible for people to question and learn. If you were a little more tolerant of people asking questions that are beneath your level of intelligence, there would be less stupid people like me in the world. My deepest apology goes out to you and your loved ones.

—1:27

reply 224 09/11/2001

I think some overhead planes flying about may be military planes keeping others out of air space.

I wish Bush was more of a public speaker...his speech left me more scared than comforted. I'm hoping they have a plan.

—Anonymous

reply 225 09/11/2001

This is one time they really should have sent Colin Powell out to make the speech, I agree. I'm trying to give Dubya my support under the circumstances, but he's not making it any easier.

—Anonymous

reply 226 09/11/2001

I have been moved to tears throughout the morning - breaking news always saddens and shocks me but nothing to this effect.

—Anonymous

reply 227 09/11/2001

Colin Powell is in South America, on a flight back to the US I think.

—Anonymous

reply 228 09/11/2001

I'm OK.

PLEASE other NYC Dataloungers post to let everybody know you are fine.

—MasterLcZ

reply 229 09/11/2001

Well, will we just bomb the poor people of Afghanistan into powder, or will we have the balls to send ground troops in there to get Osama?

—Anonymous

reply 230 09/11/2001

How can we retaliate when we don't even REALLY know which rebel group is responsible? It is akin to shadow-boxing.....

—Anonymous

reply 231 09/11/2001

Keep spending your money. Spend, Spend, Spend!!!

Morgan Stanley Dean Witter is demolished. They were on the upper floor. The Mercantile exchange has been demolished...oil, gas prices.

—Anonymous

reply 232 09/11/2001

Great to hear from you, Master. When this all calms down, I'm sure we would all appreciate your report on things. I saw Terri report in on another thread. All you others (again) please, please check in.

—Idle Mind

reply 233 09/11/2001

The report of the car bomb at the Pentagon is a FALSE report.

—Anonymous

reply 234 09/11/2001

Camp David is extremely important in today's nightmare. Today is the anniversary of the signing of the Camp David Peace Accord.

—Anonymous

reply 235 09/11/2001

"I just heard lawnmowers outside our building, and froze for a moment. Creepy."

What a coincidence! I just shit in my drawers, and froze for moment. Creepy!

—Oops, I just crapped my pants.

reply 236 09/11/2001

What about bank records. Weren't a lot of those at the WTC?

—Anonymous

reply 237 09/11/2001

quote from the nbc news...do you know what day it is? It's september 11th, it's 911.

—Anonymous

reply 238 09/11/2001

2:12 There would be backup of those records at a different location.

—Anonymous

reply 239 09/11/2001

Good for Master, anybody else?

—Anonymous

reply 240 09/11/2001

Char Treuse! What about Char Treuse!

—Anonymous

reply 241 09/11/2001

There are masses of people walking out of New York. It's a shocking sight (as is everything today). Can anyone else confirm that Camp David was or wasn't attacked? I heard from someone it was, but CNN's not saying that. Also, the PA plane could've been headed for DC; could it also have been en route to Camp David?

—Left is Right

reply 242 09/11/2001

A doctor has been interviewed outside St. Vincent's, one of the main hospitals receiving victims in NYC, by WCBS, and he is claiming that there is the very real possibility that "biological agents" were set off by either of the two plane crashes or by the bomb that has been reported to have gone off at the base of the second tower, causing that collapse. He actually discussed anthrax.

—Anonymous

reply 243 09/11/2001

Have there been any responses from other countries about this? What's the coverage in other countries like?

—Anonymous

reply 244 09/11/2001

2:16 Speculation is that the flight that went down in PA was headed to Camp David but nothing is nor can be confirmed at this time.

—Anonymous

reply 245 09/11/2001

Yes, there were earlier reports that the PA plane was heading for Camp David.

—Anonymous

reply 246 09/11/2001

Left is Right, they think the plane that crashed in Pennsylvania was headed for Camp David and the attempt failed.

—Anonymous

reply 247 09/11/2001

There have been multiple expressions of shock and sadness from many other countries. Tony Blair made a very eloquent speech in Britain. People are expressing anger over this incident and support for the US, especially the families of the victims.

—Anonymous

reply 248 09/11/2001

Britain has cancelled all civil flights over the country.

—Anonymous

reply 249 09/11/2001

Don't worry about bank records...there's always backup at different locations.

—Anonymous

reply 250 09/11/2001

I really like Tony Blair. He gives me goosebumps when he speaks.

—Anonymous

reply 251 09/11/2001

I like the BBC website. Here is their link to the coverage of the attack.

see offsite link on co.uk

—Mango

reply 252 09/11/2001

Other countries are responding with outrage. Tony Blair is returning to the U.K. from somewhere. The German cabinet met in emergency session. Etc. In Lebanon, however, Palestinians are celebrating in the streets, shooting off their weapons in the air and generally carrying on like it was New Year's Eve.

—Anonymous

reply 253 09/11/2001

2:21--what an opportunity we have to take those celebrating ghouls and BOMB THEM STRAIGHT TO HELL!!!!

—Anonymous

reply 254 09/11/2001

Palestinians are celebrating in the streets, shooting off their weapons in the air and generally carrying on like it was New Year's Eve.

Can someone explain why they hate Americans? Thanks.

—Anonymous

reply 255 09/11/2001

2:22, Amen.

—Anonymous

reply 256 09/11/2001

===Can someone explain why they hate Americans? Thanks.

Because we support Israel in everything they do to the Palestinians, no matter how awful, and supply Israel with the weapons that they use to kill Palestinians.

It's wrong for people to do what happened today, and wrong for Palestinians to celebrate, but I can still understand why they hate the US. We would also hate a country that made it possible to keep us under occupation for thirty years.

—Anonymous

reply 257 09/11/2001

In its simplest form: Because we support the state of Israel, and the Palestinians (remember: it was called Palestine before it was called Israel) believe that the country was stolen from them.

—Anonymous

reply 258 09/11/2001

Read this eBay of all places.

"In the City of God, there will be a great thunder. Two brothers torn apart by Chaos while the fortress endures, the great leader will succumb." "The third big war will begin when the bity city is burning." Nostradamus 1654

What is going through my mind is, we jumped to the conculsion that it was foreign forces who blew up the federal builing in Oklahoma City, and that turned out to be untrue.

—John V in D

reply 259 09/11/2001

And coincidentally, Clinton was trying to hasten the peace process between the Palestinians and the Israelis, while Bush has decided to ignore the whole mess in hopes the problem will go away.

—Anonymous

reply 260 09/11/2001

Maybe the Palestians hate Americans because only in America would someone need to ask why the Palestians hate us. No offense. I am being sincere. We live a very sheltered life here.

—Anonymous

reply 261 09/11/2001

I cannot believe what has happened. I was planning on going downtown today. I frequent the WTC often, but never again because it doesn't exist anymore.

Peace and well wishes to all my New York neighbors!

Let's pray to God that the bastards responsible for, has their country blasted off the face of this earth!

—Simone

reply 262 09/11/2001

2:28 Don't forget too that it was called Isreal before it was called Palestine.

—Anonymous

reply 263 09/11/2001

Osama bin Laden was a major organizer of resistance against the Soviets in Afghanistan. He probably had CIA assistance at that time, so maybe his beef with the Bush family -- betrayed by Dad with the

Gulf War; and by the son with the arrest warrant....

—Anonymous

reply 264 09/11/2001

There is nothing wrong with a person asking for information they do not understand. There would be a lot less hate if people felt free to ask.

—Anonymous

reply 265 09/11/2001

Believe me, I'm not condoning dancing in the streets by some Arabs, but how is that any different than Americans getting on-line and saying things like bomb the bastards etc.?

—John V in D

reply 266 09/11/2001

We are getting back to normal now. Trains and buses working again. I see heavier smoke from my window (I am uptown) now than this morning. Occasional military aircraft overhead, otherwise the skies are empty. I can see a flight path to LaGuardia from my dining room window. No commercial aircraft, no helicopters. People are going outside now. Before, it was eerily quiet.

Bank was closed earlier and supermarket would only take cash.

—Anonymous

reply 267 09/11/2001

Thanks to everyone for posting earlier. I had no TV and the news websites were overwhelmed. You guys kept me posted. My co-workers kept asking me how I knew what was going on so quickly.

—Mango

reply 268 09/11/2001

How is it different, John V?

Because they're dancing in the streets with joy because innocent people have been murdered.

We have a right to defend ourselves and to be outraged that this has happened.

Please, get a clue! Jesus, I can't believe what I read in here sometimes.

—Anonymous

reply 269 09/11/2001

Fox News reporting a dispute between the President's political advisors and the Secret Service. The former want him back at the White House. The Secret Service wants him to go to NORAD.

—Anonymous

reply 270 09/11/2001

Is NORAD that secret hollowed-out mountain in Colorado?

—Anonymous

reply 271 09/11/2001

In a twist of irony, apparently the part of the Pentagon that was hit was the "Homeland Defense" section, ie, the anti-terrorism folks. Also it was under renovation so maybe light injuries there.

—Anonymous

reply 272 09/11/2001

You men and women have been a source of strength all morning and afternoon. I am very grateful for the information that you have provided, often well in advance of major news agencies; and if some of it has proved to be false, most of it has been golden. Obviously it's hard to avoid hysteria and chauvinism under these conditions, but on the whole I've also been impressed by your calm. Thank you again.

—Robert de Saint-Loup

reply 273 09/11/2001

Red Cross is on 67th st, Upper East Side for blood donations.

Things are quiet, but tunnels are opened, transport now working. LIE closed into NYC from Exit 61, which is about an hour outside of the city.

I called a NYC hospital I used to work at and volunteered this morning, but they didn't need anyone. More deaths than injuries.

—Anonymous

reply 274 09/11/2001

I've been getting phone calls all morning and emails from people across the country who know people who work downtown. Worst--- a woman whose 16 year old son was working in the WTC. Still no word from him. It's been 7 hours.

—Anonymous

reply 275 09/11/2001

The Building called Barclays perhaps which is a block away, was heavily damaged and nothing is being done to put the fires out due perhaps to low water pressure. The say it is in danger of collapsing. At the time of the WTC collapse, the mayor was in the Barclays building. Part of the WTC fell on the Barclays nearly trapping everyone inside. It is a newer very fancy office building which I believe is 31 floors. My information is from memory.

—Anonymous

reply 276 09/11/2001

The mayor is on CNN right now and talked about being detained in the building. He is out now.

—Anonymous

reply 277 09/11/2001

To whatever extent you may believe that Palestinians are ENTITLED to hate the US, they are not entitled to destroy innocent human lives, and Allah would not approve of them dancing in the streets and handing out candy to celebrate our deaths.

And if you believe that their enjoyment of our suffering is justified by the suffering they have experienced, then, by extension, you will justify my dancing and handing out of candy when Colin Powell obliterates Nablus, Baghdad, and Afghanistan (which has hidden Osama bin Laden).

The thing about justifying revenge is that there is never a "final" act of revenge. It just goes on...

There is no solution here because there is no solution to hatred. If the only solution for the Arabs is the obliteration of the State of Israel, there will be nuclear war.

—Golda Meir's son

reply 278 09/11/2001

Can anyone in NYC actually see any aircraft? I can hear an occasional high-flying military plane overhead but cannot see anything.

—Anonymous

reply 279 09/11/2001

I heard AmEx was on fire. Is that so?

—Anonymous

reply 280 09/11/2001

There's no sense of panic here in NYC that I have noted, there just seems to be a lot of communal disbelief and sadness. Most of the mayhem seems to be South of Canal -- things are starting to get back to normal, but my beloved NYC, I fear, will never be the same. The world actually will never be the same again.

There will be so many terrible things that this tragedy will give birth to. Timothy McVeigh is dancing in hell.

Still trying to emerge from this sense of the surreal. Sad surrealism.

—Huggy Bear

reply 281 09/11/2001

i live in texas, gas prices are rising, up to 5.00 now. i hope that people aren't reacting to nonsense

—Anonymous

reply 282 09/11/2001

Kudos to all who evacuated on foot from downtown. They just got up and walked and kept moving, very orderly like a fire drill.

—Anonymous

reply 283 09/11/2001

So many conflicting reports I can't keep them straight...has there been another hijacked Alaskan plane?

—Anonymous

reply 284 09/11/2001

Here is a link to some government records regarding Bin Laden. It might give a little insight to the what we are up against.

see offsite link on thesmokinggun.com

—Mango

reply 285 09/11/2001

The moment the planes hit the buildings, the buildings were doomed. There would have been no way to ever put out the fires, as the planes were headed for LA from Boston, and were fully loaded with Jet Fuel.

There were about 40 employees at the Windows on the World restaurant at the top of the WTC preparing for lunch.

—Anonymous

reply 286 09/11/2001

Fox News reports that members of Congress claim a plane skimmed the Capitol dome in DC.

Also, Barbara Olsen, Fox/CNN commentator was on the plane that hit the Pentagon. She was the wife of Ted Olsen Bush nominee for Solicitor General.

—Anonymous

reply 287 09/11/2001

At the risk of sounding like a Freeper, burn through whatever we have to to find the group responsible for this and execute them all. Really, I'm the last one to advocate the escalation of violence, but this attack is just astonishing, too horrible to believe, and with an estimated death toll in the thousands, both justice and revenge should be sought by any means necessary.

—malonine

reply 288 09/11/2001

Still have 12 International flights that have not landed on the West Coast yet.

—Anonymous

reply 289 09/11/2001

No flights until tomorrow at the earliest.

—Anonymous

reply 290 09/11/2001

Barbara Olsen was one of the people on the hijacked plane and is presumed dead. This was confirmed by Fox News.

—Anonymous

reply 291 09/11/2001

If you're able, go put gas in your car now. I bought some two hours ago at $1.65 now it's at $3.50.

—Anonymous

reply 292 09/11/2001

What's going on with gas prices? I don't understand the connection.

—L.i.R.

reply 293 09/11/2001

Imagine that you and your ancestors for centuries have lived in one place and love it. Then a bunch of prosperous people from Europe and the U.S. move in and claim a racial/religious right to your homes and land. They chase you out and don't even allow you to be full citizens of the state they then found (only 53 years ago).

They use the recent oppression of their relatives (which you had nothing to do with) as justification for heartlessly depriving you and yours.

One country, the most powerful, conspicuously supports these new, wealthy and influential invaders because ideologically they are closer to the Western democracies than your more primitive people are. Aren't you going to feel powerless against all that and rejoice when, against all odds, the supporters of your oppressors get a comeupance?

I'm in no way justifying the criminal acts or desires of the Palestinians, but I certainly understand them.

—Anonymous

reply 294 09/11/2001

It's time to make parts of the Middle East glow for several thousand years.

—Anonymous

reply 295 09/11/2001

I don't understand the gas price connection either. Didn't go out at lunch today, so havent noticed anything. Can you guys/gals give some specifics and the cities?

—Anonymous

reply 296 09/11/2001

3:29: Why?

I live on land that American Indians were deprived and killed so my race could have it. What have the Arabs done that is worse than that?

—Anonymous

reply 297 09/11/2001

3:29 - With logic like that, Iraq would now be an ember, but Timothy McVeigh would be a free man.

—Anonymous

reply 298 09/11/2001

I think 3:26 that people are thinking that we may end up in a war with some country who's got control of the oil and we'll be having a shortage so the price of gas is going up fast.

—Anonymous

reply 299 09/11/2001

3:32: Thanks for a word of sanity.

—Anonymous

reply 300 09/11/2001

STOP DEFENDING THE GODDAMN PALESTINIANS!

Jesus, if you think of it that way, the Israelis were there first and were illegally dispersed by the Romans and are just reclaiming their much older claim!

You'd better watch it. If you don't think your comments are being monitored, you've got another thing coming.

—Anonymous

reply 301 09/11/2001

What kind of threat is that, 3:35? I can defend oppressed people if I want to.

—Anonymous

reply 302 09/11/2001

3:35: If you want to go back like that, Israel got that land by killing "Gentiles" who had the land they wanted (see Bible). So that game doesn't work.

—Anonymous

reply 303 09/11/2001

It wasn't a threat, 3:36. I'm just saying that this is going to be a time for national paranoia and you never know who's going to be looking at what. Just a heads-up.

BTW: I used to think that the Israelis needed to do more to get along with the Palestinians, but it has been made abundantly clear that there is going to be no compromise.

—Anonymous

reply 304 09/11/2001

PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF TODAY

Holy Lord, almighty and eternal God, hear our prayers for your servants, whom you have summoned out of this world. Forgive their sins and failings and grant them a place of refreshment, light, and peace. Let them pass unharmed through the gates of death to dwell with the blessed in light, as you promised to Abraham and his children for ever. Accept them into your safekeeping and on the great day of judgment raise them up with all the saints to inherit your eternal kingdom.

Lord our God, you are always faithful and quick to show mercy. Our brothers and sisters were suddenly and violently taken from us. Come swiftly to their aid, have mercy on them and comfort their families and friends by the power and protection of the Cross.

AMEN.

—Anonymous

reply 305 09/11/2001

It shocks and saddens me that some think killing innocent people in the Middle East will somehow avenge the deaths of our innocent people. Even if the attacks were coordinated by someone in that region. The civilians there don't necessarily support this extremely violent action, any more than all americans support the actions of Bush.

—the cheekster

reply 306 09/11/2001

Killing Bin Laden would definitely avenge the deaths, and would prevent future ones. And I wouldn't mind seeing those assholes who were celebrating suffer horrible deaths too.

—Anonymous

reply 307 09/11/2001

Sickening photo from Yahoo. Hope link works.

see offsite link on yimg.com

—Anonymous

reply 308 09/11/2001

3:50, It is one thing to call for justice for the attackers but killing more innocent people only continues the cycle.

—the cheekster

reply 309 09/11/2001

It is a sickening photo, but quite tame by Middle Eastern standards. My guess is that many of the celebrants are actually more terrified than elated.

—Anonymous

reply 310 09/11/2001

3:56--sitting back and taking it only continues the cycle. This won't be a sane world until these people are stopped.

What did the crusader say when told that a village ahead of him had some Christians living in it? 'Kill 'em all. God will know His own.'

—Anonymous

reply 311 09/11/2001

What about those who are celebrating, cheekster? I just saw video of them laughing and rejoicing in response to the devastation happening here. How can you say they don't support this violence, when they obviously harbor great hatred for us and pleasure at our pain? Incidentally, I'm not feeling bloodthirsty, but in an odd, detached way, I keep looking at the partying Palestinians and thinking that it's like the last days of Pompeii or something...that soon they'll be bombed, their last acts an ignorant joy at the very act that caused their obliteration.

p.s. Is this gas-price issue real or a hoax?

—L.i.R.

reply 312 09/11/2001

Unless I get some sort of verification, I assume it (Gas Prices) was a hoax. No mention on ANY news of it that I have seen.

—Anonymous

reply 313 09/11/2001

Not all the Palestinians are celebrating. When you start waving the Stars and Stripes and are cheering in the streets because we nuked them, do I deserve to die, how about my children?

—the cheekster

reply 314 09/11/2001

It is OK with me if the cheerers get nuked. I'm hoping tonight.

—Anonymous

reply 315 09/11/2001

and if they are celebrating there how are they reaction (privately) here?

think about that next time you walk into a 99 cent store or dry cleaner....

they cannot be trusted here or abroad

—Anonymous

reply 316 09/11/2001

Excuse me, cheekster, you're moving from pacifism to total obnoxiousness here. I didn't say I'd be waving any flags when we bomb; I merely said we obviously will. I don't feel like arguing with someone who's deep into the superiority thing right now, thanks, so can we please not make it personal?

—L.i.R.

reply 317 09/11/2001

I believe the gas price increase posts were posted in response to the fact that the office that decides gas, silver, gold prices was in the WTC. I just purchased diesel ten minutes ago, and it was $1.56, and that's really cheap. I have not heard anything on the news about gas prices increasing, so I too think it's a hoax.

—Anonymous

reply 318 09/11/2001

Fox is interviewing Rahman (spelling) and he cant' even answer straight about his people celebrating in the streets, who may be responsible....he sounds like he's dodging, he sound defensive.

—Anonymous

reply 319 09/11/2001

LiR, I didn't mean to make it personal and I'm sorry if I did. I didn't really mean "you" as in L.i.R. or "me" as in the cheekster. I don't even have children. I just mean that senseless violence begets senseless violence.

—the cheekster

reply 320 09/11/2001

I filled up with gas in Texas, and the price hadn't risen noticably. Yet.

—Anonymous

reply 321 09/11/2001

Here is a link to Yahoo! which has some really amazing photos of today's events. I don't have much access to a TV, so this is helpful. There are 14 pages of photos

see offsite link on yahoo.com

—Mango

reply 322 09/11/2001

Fox News here is "experiencing technical difficulties"--anyone know what's going on with NYC Channel 5? I don't know where it's located but assume it's related trouble.

We just heard that there's so much soot, debris, and smoke that the rescue workers can't really get close enough to see the extent of the damage, one reason why there are no death toll estimates.

—L.i.R.

reply 323 09/11/2001

Senseless violence that goes unpunished and unchallenged begets more senseless violence too, as they discover they can "get away with it". It is the way of these coweardly violent fanatics to pick on

whom they perceive to be weak.

—Anonymous

reply 324 09/11/2001

The Israeli's have the most to gain from this horror. They have been so oppressive and cruel to the Palestinians that even the most biased American media outlets were shying off their total support for Israeli actions. Now the Arabs have lost the moral edge. Clearly the terrorists don't understand how Americans think and how we will react to this outrage. They are doomed.

—Anonymous

reply 325 09/11/2001

retaliation for this most horrid, unbelievable tragedy would not be senseless. We need to show these thugs this will be be tolerated. As it is, we were (are) vulnerable. You think they didnt' know that? We need to get our backbone back so this won't happen again. People in that country are CELEBRATING!! They know we're sitting ducks. They are celebrating the deaths of thousands of innocent civlians. Violence against those responsible is the least we can do now...

—Anonymous

reply 326 09/11/2001

A few little things:

From 9:00-11:45, my boss didn't know if her husband, who takes the PATH train from Newark to the WTC every day, was alive or dead. (He's ok.)

In the town of North Arlington on my brother's street, at the end of which normally has a truly spectacular view of the Manhattan skyline on a day like today a view I've always taken for granted there is now a view of the city that makes you literally want to cry.

I live practically walking distance to Newark Airport, and the skies are eerily silent for this time of day. A couple of aircraft have flown overhead, and even though I know they're military, I can't help but go to the window just to make sure.

—Tommy

reply 327 09/11/2001

4:25, I agree but there's no need to see more innocent people die.

—the cheekster

reply 328 09/11/2001

cheekster, then I apologize, too, wholeheartedly. I DO have children (2 cuties who have no idea what's up today), which might be why I took it badly. But there will be nothing joyful in any retaliation; wars of any kind are anything but glorious. This is just horrible all around.

—Left is Right

reply 329 09/11/2001

But, cheekster, why not inflict revenge on those who inflict such unwarranted "revenge" on us? Will refraining from inflicting revenge prevent them from perpetrating FURTHER revenge on us? I don't think so.

What specific political goal did they have, other than killing as many Americans as possible in the most excruciating manner possible? They surely didn't think that destroying American lives would warm Americans to the Palestinian cause, did they? Otherwise, you can add "stupid" to "bloodthirsty," "vengeful" and "inhuman."

And if those cheering Palestinians do not represent true Palestinian joy in our deaths, where are the Palestinian voices condemning the cheering? I think those cheering Palestinians DO speak for the Palestinian people because they ARE the Palestinian people.

—Call Me Ishmael

reply 330 09/11/2001

I don't recall the Palestinians ever having the moral edge but that "dancing in the streets" image is going to be telegraphed around the world.

—Anonymous

reply 331 09/11/2001

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat condemned the terrorist attack. Though I'm no fan of Arafat, fair is fair.

—Jesseboy

reply 332 09/11/2001

It may help to get your news, not from American networks, but from the BBC, which has better world coverage. Condemnation of the terrorist attack has poured in from Arab governments and organizations around the world. I have no idea whether this is entirely sincere, but we shall see.

—Robert de Saint-Loup

reply 333 09/11/2001

They say that the WTC has a bunker, I hope it's a big one.

—Anonymous

reply 334 09/11/2001

They're condemning the attack to avoid retaliation.

—Anonymous

reply 335 09/11/2001

Ishmael, the ones who aided and coordinated the attacks should be punished. But if we begin killing innocent Middle Easteners how are we any better. And how is calling for bombing of the entire region different than dancing in the streets after the attacks. Both merely fuel the rage.

—the cheekster

reply 336 09/11/2001

I think some of you are being naive. The US cannot now ever support the existence of a Palestinian state. Such an entity would always be a base for terrorism against us, and no Palestinian government would ever be able to stop it.

Thus, the American people are at war wit the Palestinian people whether we want to be or not. We have no choice now but to do whatever is necessary to destroy any nationalist movement among them or to help the Israelis do so.

—Anonymous

reply 337 09/11/2001

BOMB PALESTINE!!! BOMB AFGAHNISTAN!! IMMEDEIATELY!

—Anonymous

reply 338 09/11/2001

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat condemned the terrorist attack. Though I'm no fan of Arafat, fair is fair.

Isn't this just posturing? Somehow I think he knows a little more about Bin Laden's activities than he lets on.

—Anonymous

reply 339 09/11/2001

Tony Blair gave the best speech so far on the topic.

This is worse than Pearl Harbor. In terms of lives lost, extent of the physical destruction, and the scar to the American psychie... not to mention the longer term impact on our economy. But worst of all, unlike Pearl Harbor, we have no clear enemy to focus our anger and shock upon. No clear location to attack. No clear army to engage.

—Anonymous

reply 340 09/11/2001

Supposedly the Salmon Bros Building (next door) has just collapsed.

—Mango

reply 341 09/11/2001

I agree. The option of a Palestinian state is now off the table. We can't permit it to exist.

—Anonymous

reply 342 09/11/2001

I want Arafat to condemn not only the perpetrators but also the mindless people cheering in the streets. I want the Hamas leaders to condemn the suffering without saying that the United States wished it on itself by supporting Israel, like saying a rape victim "asked" for it. I want the Taliban to declare a national day of mourning for the victims and kick Osama bin Lauden out of their country or extradite him or assassinate him.

I want the Palestinians--and all Muslims--to weep for all the innocent dead, their own and those of others, to stop teaching their children hatred in schoolbooks, and to stop prizing suicide bombing as a virtue, and to work together with the Israelis for a permanent and peaceful solution to coexistence.

But those things won't happen, and so we will proceed to teach them a lesson. We will kill many, many of them, those that cheered in the streets and those that that that perhpas cheering is wrong. And all the people who hate--Muslim, Christian, Jew and other--will get the world full of hatred they've always wanted.

—Ishmael

reply 343 09/11/2001

Oh, you're right. The Palestinians are the root of all evil, because one of them did this (probably). We should round up ALL Palestinians EVERYWHERE and put them into death camps! That'd show them!

Does that reasoning sound familiar? It should.

—Anonymous

reply 344 09/11/2001

Actually, I think Arafat was sincere. I also think he's been esentially taken out of the loop of the more nefarious underground, terrorist portions of the PLO, etc.

It's ironic that by doing this, the perpatrators have guarenteed that no palistinian state will ever exist (at least in their lifetimes), and that destruction will rain down on most of their camps, strong-holds, and allies. They have single-handedly guarenteed their own failure. They won the battle, and instantly lost the war.

I think Arafat knows this as well, which is why I think his appearance of being shocked and saddened in his speech today was genuine.

—Anonymous

reply 345 09/11/2001

BOMB PALESTINE!!! BOMB AFGAHNISTAN!! IMMEDEIATELY!

—Anonymous

reply 346 09/11/2001

Moral high ground that will be lost: Israeli soldiers machine gun Arab children who throw rocks but a Jew who kills an Arab gets little to no punishment. American Jews who have murdered people here go to Israel and are protected. A Jewish Israeli can murder any number of Arabs and will not face a death penalty (if any punishment at all) but a 10 year old Arab kid with a rock gets an instant death sentence. Then they destroy his family home with a Big ol' Bulldozer that has made in America written on the side. Do you think that the Israeli police would machine gun Jewish settlers who are throwing rocks at Arabs?

—Anonymous

reply 347 09/11/2001

5:03--my, you're sounding traitorous today.

—Anonymous

reply 348 09/11/2001

Originally there were supposedly 7 planes, and still 2 unaccounted for. Has anyone heard anything about the 2 missing planes?

Also- any word onwhether or not chemical warfare or anthraxwas being used?

—New Yorker

reply 349 09/11/2001

All planes are accounted for.

—Anonymous

reply 350 09/11/2001

There were wild rumors floating around, but I think we would have heard by now if Manhattan was full of anthrax victims.

—Anonymous

reply 351 09/11/2001

Would it spread that fast?

—Anonymous

reply 352 09/11/2001

Anthrax symptoms manifest within 7 days. But I've not heard anything about a biochemical threat from news sources.

—Anonymous

reply 353 09/11/2001

The other building has now collapsed (the one that's been on fire for a few hours).

Does anyone else think that this doesn't feel over? From what I've been reading about bin Laden, who devoutly desires the destruction of the U.S., this isn't "big" enough (in no way do I mean to diminish the horror of today by saying that) for him. Also, I just read an online article that talked of his plan as being "multiple attacks over multiple days". It seems to me that either he was foiled in part (by the grounding of the planes, maybe) or that he's not done.

—Left is Right

reply 354 09/11/2001

5:03: I'm afraid I agree with you. We have been countenancing the barbaric brutalization of Palestinians for so long that their behavior is understandable. I can't imagine what the solution is now, though.

—Anonymous

reply 355 09/11/2001

I'm shaking my head with disbelief. You call this behavior 'understandable', 5:43? Go tell that to the people who lost their loved ones to those cowardly, despicable vermin.

And what the hell does that make you?

—Anonymous

reply 356 09/11/2001

Sorry, but with this act, and their celebration in the streets, the Palestinians have lost all support from me, and I'm sure, from a majority of Americans. And I really was on their side before. I now have NO sympathy for them, as I see what they are truely made of. If they cannot or will not live in peace, then they shall die in war. And we will unleash it upon them, at their request.

—Anonymous

reply 357 09/11/2001

5:03 and 5:43, I'll reserve my sympathy for the people I know who had relatives killed in suicide bombings as well as the Holocaust refugees who found sanctuary in Israel. The Palestinians have never been amendable to anything short of driving Israel into the sea and have raised their children from birth to hate the Jews. That they've produced a generation of suicide bombers instead of peacemakers is no accident.

—Anonymous

reply 358 09/11/2001

The gas thing is no joke. It's on the news here in the Midwest. They say it just went up another .16 cent and is expected to be $4.50 by evening.

—Anonymous

reply 359 09/11/2001

5:03 and 5:43--why don't you go live with your beloved Palestinians and offer them ALL of your support? Come on. You must hate this country so much, if you can actually comprehend why the Palestinians did this dreadful thing.

You're traitors.

—Anonymous

reply 360 09/11/2001

Understandable? Are you out of your fucking mind?

I hope they are on there way to nuking at them at this very minute. If you like then so much, why don't you go over and join them? Before the bomb hits!

—Anonymous

reply 361 09/11/2001

From a friend on the ground in Cleveland:

"There was a plane that landed at Hopkins that was moved away from the rest of the area and searched. Turned out it was a Delta flight that got lost on the grid in wake of everything. No bomb or anything."

I had heard the rumor about a bomb on a plane in Cleveland... good to know that wasn't the case.

—Anonymous

reply 362 09/11/2001

So who's bombing Kabul, Afghanistan?

—Anonymous

reply 363 09/11/2001

THanks, 5:59, I'd heard that too, early in the day, and I hadn't heard anything since until that.

—Anonymous

reply 364 09/11/2001

I dunno. I don't think it's us. Seems too soon for that. Might be Taliban Resistance. Or it might indeed be us. No idea.

—Anonymous

reply 365 09/11/2001

05:03 and 05:43. You both sound like Quisling's to me and I hope that you get yours too, the same way those poor defensive people got there's in those buildings. You're disgusting and I really believe that you would be so much more happier if you moved to Palastine and lived with those bastards. I hope that you're there when they bomb the hell out of it. You TRAITORS!

—Anonymous

reply 366 09/11/2001

Here's the lowdown on the gas thing. Right now in Iowa, there are lines around the block to buy gas. The reason that gas is being raised to 5.00 is to deter people from buying gas as the refineries and pipelines have been shut down to avoid destruction. Everyone is being advised to wait it out for 24-48 hours so as not to deplete the reserves, and that is why the price is so high. Unfortunately mass hysteria has taken over and we are doing exactly what we should not be doing which is buying gas today. If you can help it, don't go fill up for a few days. That's what the head of the petroleum board in Iowa says anyway.

—Anonymous

reply 367 09/11/2001

After the OKC bombing when this same rabid anti-arab insanity was triggered, several innocent people were beaten to bloody pulps for absolutely no reason by patriotic, god-loving bigots. That never made the news. None of this hatred-spewing does anybody any good.

—Anonymous

reply 368 09/11/2001

Senator Tom Harkin says that he does not believe the bombing was from us, he would have heard something, he believes it is in-country.

—Anonymous

reply 369 09/11/2001

The magnitude of this whole thing is *astounding.* When I think about how I was affected by the crash of Concorde, or Aaliyah's death ...

This is four major plane crashes in one day ... the destruction of a major city's skyline ... tens of thousands of people injured or dead.

Holy shit. This is beyond belief.

—Anonymous

reply 370 09/11/2001

Here in Toronto we have sent some Doctors to NYC, are preparing EMS to go in to assist your EMS service, are preparing our hospitals to receive burn patients and the line at the Red Cross is a three hour wait to give blood.

Our sorrow and support goes out to you.

—Anonymous

reply 371 09/11/2001

We make fun of you Canadians sometimes, 6:37, but I have to say, thank you Canada. You are truly the US's best friend.

—Anonymous

reply 372 09/11/2001

Thanks

—Anonymous

reply 373 09/11/2001

Amen.

Thank you Canada.

Some of us recall how you helped us during the Iranian hostage crisis by sheltering quite a few Americans.

Thanks again.

—Anonymous

reply 374 09/11/2001

My uncle works in the WTC, I don't know if he's dead or alive. I turn on the news and see Palestinia children dancing around in joy, considering it a "joyous day". I have never felt so much hate, and disgust. I hope they do capture who ever is responsible.

—Leo lover

reply 375 09/11/2001

I just heard that an American Airlines flight attendant was able to reach her company to tell them that the crew had been killed.

—Anonymous

reply 376 09/11/2001

Many of the casualties will include those heroes who were working at the base of the towers helping with triage, etc., when the towers collapsed.

—Anonymous

reply 377 09/11/2001

You're right that it's horrible that those people were killed today, and there's no justification.

But where has your indignation been when, for 50 years, Palestinian children who were driven from their homes have been killed by Israel?

Neither is justifiable, but we can't jump up and down with righteous indignation like right-wing Fundamentalists when they finally strike back at this country that has supported their violent oppressors.

To say that is not treasonable, unless you're a mindless nationalist. I'm not.

—Anonymous

reply 378 09/11/2001

"To say that is not treasonable, unless you're a mindless nationalist. I'm not."

Yes, yes you are. continue your dancing.

—Anonymous

reply 379 09/11/2001

"But where has your indignation been when, for 50 years, Palestinian children who were driven from their homes have been killed by Israel?"

BULLSHIT!

—Anonymous

reply 380 09/11/2001

OK, that's it. Will the Israelis AND Palestinians please just keep their racist-on-both-sides and unresolvable war to themselves? (And will our government help them in this?) LEAVE ME OUT OF IT! I am NOT a member of The One Ethnic Group That Has a Special Relationship with God, so I can't work up a lot of sympathy for Rebecca Levin from Scarsdale's right to move to a kibbutz and evict people who've grown up there just because she's descended from Abraham (as if). But I can't support the latter's right to murder innocent Americans either. Get a grip on yourselves - all of you, and until you can do that, keep to your own part of the world.

—Fed Up

reply 381 09/11/2001

I, for one, am grateful that Canada has our back - IMO, they are one of the very few allies we can count on.

—Anonymous

reply 382 09/11/2001

The gas in government buildings in Manhattan has been turned off all day. I just heard that some people who live near the WTC don't have gas or water and are forced to leave town for the night.

—Anonymous

reply 383 09/11/2001

Why don't you start a thread for your posts about Palestine and Israel? This started out as an update thread, thanks in advance.

—Anonymous

reply 384 09/11/2001

Here's a link to info on the WTC. It was built by The Port Authority in 1970 and 1972.

see offsite link on panynj.gov

—Anonymous

reply 385 09/11/2001

Okay, I posted about the refineries shutting down, but that was straight from the horses mouth. In fact, they are now saying that the refineries are not shut down, and the pipeline is open and running smoothly as of 6PM tonight. The prices for fuel will level out in a day or two, and anyone guilty of price gouging will be prosecuted. The main thing is to not fill up just because you are afraid. There is not a shortage.If it's overpriced don't buy it.

—Anonymous

reply 386 09/11/2001

I am still a little confused. How far down did the WTC collapse? What's left standing? 10 stories? 20 stories? I can't tell from the photos. Arthor Eric Darton "Divided We Stand" is on TV now. Has studied The WTC for years. He thinks the building toppled possibly due to INTERNAL CHARGES in the building. He says the way the buildings collapsed looks like it was IMPLODED. I agree it does look odd the way it just collapsed upon itself

—Mango

reply 387 09/11/2001

I believe it is completely destroyed due to the weight from above falling down. The steel frame could be seen just disintegrating like a toothpick house. From what I saw, it appeared that shearing the higher floors in half seemed to cause it to collapse from the weight.

—Anonymous

reply 388 09/11/2001

My mom heard from a friend who works for CNN that our own military shot down the plane headed for Camp David because it was confirmed hijacked. Any one else hear this? (not convinced it's true)

—Anonymous

reply 389 09/11/2001

I wouldn't doubt it. It is the kind of story our Government would like to release. The US military shooting American commercial airlines is not good press (what ever the reason)

—Anonymous

reply 390 09/11/2001

6:59: Amen.

And to the person who says the Israeli vs. Arab thing belongs on another thread: What the fuck do you think this is all about? Don't you realize those people were killed today because we're unwilling to deal with all this -- and try to dismiss it as you are.

—Anonymous

reply 391 09/11/2001

CNN reporting that 200 firemen and 78 policemen presumed dead

—Anonymous

reply 392 09/11/2001

It seems this terrorist attack wasn't as elaborate as first thought. I doubt it took many months to prepare. The hijackers had no fire arms only knives, that's how they got inside undetected. They hijacked four domestic flights because there are few security restrictions in them as opposed to international flights. Also, all four planes were supposed to go to California, and that's why they were hijacked. The tanks were full of fuel, hence there would be no need for explosives on board to blow up the buildings. Those bastards knew very well what they were doing.

—Anonymous

reply 393 09/11/2001

It's not that I'm unwilling to deal with the arab vs. Israel thing, it's just that it is turning this thread into a personal hatred thread and war. I would prefer to read updates, thanks in advance. If you want to go someplace to curse and belittle each other, start a new thread, thanks in advance.

—Anonymous

reply 394 09/11/2001

If you want official updates, you might check out something other than a gay gossip forum?

—Anonymous

reply 395 09/11/2001

One of the flight attendants was able to relay to the flight tower which exact seat the terrorist was assigned. This might be able to help unravel who the terrorist was. Maybe we can use this info to determine who is behind this attack.

—Mango

reply 396 09/11/2001

If you want to talk about the arabs v. the Israelis, you might check out something other than a gossip forum.

—Anonymous

reply 397 09/11/2001

I heard on one of the news reports that the powdery soot from the concret is so thick on the streets in the area that they're covering the bodies of the dead in the street, resulting in them getting run over by emergency rescue vehicles.

—Anonymous

reply 398 09/11/2001

Damn. Wolf Blitzer just referred to "The Washington Times" and held it up to show it's cover.

CNN is really back pedalling to retune itself with more conservative viewers.

—Anonymous

reply 399 09/11/2001

Oh, that's awful. I heard it's several feet thick and full of computer paper and insulation.

—Anonymous

reply 400 09/11/2001

Wow, what must be going through the flight attendants mind as they relay information to towers about the terrorists, knowing the plane is probably going down

—Anonymous

reply 401 09/11/2001

Just saw my first footage of people jumping from the top floors of the WTC. That is just the worst site ever. I'm devastated.

—Anonymous

reply 402 09/11/2001

sight...sorry.

—Anonymous

reply 403 09/11/2001

Someone explained in an earlier post that those people weren't jumping out of the building but were thrown out of it by the force of the explosion.

—Anonymous

reply 404 09/11/2001

"If you want official updates, you might check out something other than a gay gossip forum?"

During a tragedy people have a need to be with others that they love, and obviously some on this board feel that way about each other.

—Anonymous

reply 405 09/11/2001

Okay. I thought Bush did a good job. I liked the line that went something like "America was targeted because we are a beacon of freedom."

—Anonymous

reply 406 09/11/2001

Have we realized that we are living in a historical moment? This is the worst attack on the US ever.

—Anonymous

reply 407 09/11/2001

60 years ago, when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor, navy commander in chief Yamamoto said: "I fear we have done nothing but to awaken a sleeping giant and filled him with a terrible and implacable resolve".

Bin Laden woke up the giant.

—Anonymous

reply 408 09/11/2001

I feel today was a turning point in history. Unfortunately, I think we will be a war in about two weeks. This time, it won't be a ground war though. It will be fought with major firepower. Heaven (if there is one) help us.....

—Anonymous

reply 409 09/11/2001

There is no heaven. There is no god. And it is religions that create the type of nuts who think they can drive a plane into a building to meet their make-believe friend in the sky.

—Anonymous

reply 410 09/11/2001

Thank you for my DL friends keeping us in touch with what was happening. I am severly worried about Char. I know he doesn't work during this day (unless he has changed jobs)--but too oddly silent.

This puts a lot of things in my life in perspective.

Bless you all and those who have lost loved ones.

My heart is breaking.

My partner (David Sterling) had co-workers 1 block away in NYC for training--he said they just started running.

All I want to do is hold on to my family.

Pray to whatever/whomever you pray to that we get through this.

...can't stop crying...

—Anonymous

reply 411 09/11/2001

Dear Fellow Libertarians,

Today's terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center and the Pentagon have resulted in thousands of deaths and injuries. While we anticipate issuing a statement tomorrow about what can be done to help prevent such attacks in the future, there is something each of us can do right now to help our fellow Americans.

I would like to urge everyone receiving this message to donate blood at his or her earliest opportunity (starting Tuesday). As Libertarians, we believe in individual initiative and personal responsibility, and I hope that thousands of Libertarians will choose to take this action to help our fellow citizens.

Steve Dasbach National Director

—Anonymous

reply 412 09/11/2001

I truly worry more about what is to come, than about what happened today. Not just the possibility of declaring all out war and dealing with future terrorist attacks and counter-strikes. But of the fact that this is all it takes to push us into a serious recession. My job (and company) are leading a tenuous existance as it is... it's hard to believe that there is any possibilty of a business rebound now. The economic devestation is as terrible as the physical devestation on the ground in NYC.

—Anonymous

reply 413 09/11/2001

I was told that a total of 7 planes were hijacked. The news is only reporting on 4 with the belief that the plane in western PA being shot down by our own defenses. Has anyone else heard of any other plane crashes across the country/world related to today's incident? If our Gov't did shoot down the other 3 suspected of being hijacked, is the media is downplaying it?

—Magic Mystery Tour

reply 414 09/11/2001

Don't worry about Char, Eric. She was posting at around 3 p.m.

—Anonymous

reply 415 09/11/2001

People overseas are syibg they heard there were 8 planes hijacked. There may be some kind of news blackout here.

—Anonymous

reply 416 09/11/2001

Chiming in late, but I spoke to my boyfriend earlier this evening. He is a fireman in Westchester county and his entire unit went down for re-inforcement. He got close to ground zero and said it was truly awful---his guesstimate is at least 1000 policeman and fireman will be dead or missing in the ruble. Horrible. In comprehensible, really.

—Anonymous

reply 417 09/11/2001

All the windows in my office face where the towers were. I saw everything for the second plane smashing into one of the towers to the collapse of both towers live, not on TV. I will never forget what I saw for as long as I live.

I'm so grateful that the people I and my coworkers know who work in that area escaped uninjured, and my heart goes out to the victims, their families, and all the firemen/cops/rescue workers there. I viewed this disaster from the safety of over twenty blocks, but I still can't stop shaking or crying.

—Anonymous

reply 418 09/11/2001

I was told that our Gov't successfully deflected a terrorist attack planned for the millenium celebration, so they KNEW of the possibility for a second attempt. WHY wouldn't our Gov't inform it's citizens of this to raise their awareness and alert them to such possible activities. It pisses me off that the Gov't treats us like children!!!

—Pissed-Off in PA

reply 419 09/11/2001

I agree PO'd in PA. It's been proven that crime is greatly reduced in areas with a "Neighborhood Watch Programs." Informing the populace of deflected terrorist acts would only make this country stronger by empowering it's citizens to take part in policing their own "home." Hopefully, today's deaths will not be in vain and new policies will be put into place to prevent such devastation in the future.

—God Bless America!

reply 420 09/11/2001

Those of us who are Americans here: we share a great privilege of living in a nation that enables us to argue, bicker, protest for our rights. To gossip with relish the way we do so often on this forum.

This is a time to reach out and link arms with other Americans. Even those who we stridently disagree with on gender/sexual issues. We share a great joy, a great privilege and a great responsibility of being in this nation.

Together, the way we respond as Americans to this tragedy is a chance to show our brothers and sisters that we are far more than sex-first strident protesters.

We are complete, whole beings.

Let us all, share the wholeness of our sorrow, our support, our horror, and our resolve with the rest of our nation.

The people affected are in my prayers.

S. Boston

—Anonymous

reply 421 09/11/2001

A-Men, S. Boston, A-Men.

—Anonymous

reply 422 09/11/2001

I received this from a friend of mine (see inside).

Jody

—Anonymous

reply 423 09/11/2001

Sometimes I get discouraged with some of the laws and policies of our Amrican government. When I travel abroad, I always get a little misty-eyed upon my return to the USA. As I pass through Customs, I love to hear the Customs Officer say "Welcome to the USA, Mr XXX".

—Anonymous

reply 424 09/11/2001

Oops! I don't know how to post this inside, so here it is. sorry.

"God Bless America!

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PLEASE CALL YOUR FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND FAMILY AND ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO FLY OUR COLORS.

Following Pearl Harbor, a sleeping giant of love of God and love of country awakened within the people of this country. Do your part to inspire those around you, and awaken within them love for those two foundational pillars of our great Republic.

Consider giving blood. They are in desperate need.

God bless America! God bless us all!"

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reply 426 09/11/2001

Prayers and peace for our nation. My heart and prayers go out to victims and their families.

I'm glad Psalm 23 was mentioned in the speech tonite. Has comforted me in many instances.

—Anonymous

reply 427 09/11/2001

New Yorkers are still in a state of shock. Police and State Troopers are carding anyone who attempts to cross 14th street going south towards downtown. If you're not a resident and don't have ID to prove it, you can't get through. There is still only a trickle of ambulances coming from downtown. It's the most horrific thing I've ever experienced.

—Anonymous

reply 428 09/12/2001

I still feel numb and unreal. I can't sleep.

—Anonymous

reply 429

09/12/2001

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